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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE
SPECIFICATION AND AUTOMATIC
DERIVATION OF PARTIAL
DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS
ASSOCIATED WITH COUPLED PHYSICAL
QUANTITIES IN A MULTIPHYSICS
PROBLEM

Examiner: Dwain M. Craig

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Dear Commissioner:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Fourth Information Disclosure Statement be entered, and the references listed on enclosed Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record.

This application is based on U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/222,394, filed on August 2, 2000. In addition, this application is the parent to U.S. Patent Application No. 09/995,222, filed on November 27, 2001, which is the parent to U.S. Patent Application No. 10/042,936, filed on January 19, 2002.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), any necessary copies are enclosed. However, in accordance with the October 12, 2004 Official Gazette Notice, copies of U.S. patents and U.S. published application references are no longer required, and thus, are not enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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